IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

IN RE: LOCAL TV ADVERTISING ANTITRUST LITIGATION

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Master Docket No. 18-06785

MDL No. 2867

The Honorable Judge Virginia M. Kendall

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE UNDER SEAL PLAINTIFFS' MEMORANDUM OF LAW IN OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANTS SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP, INC'S AND GRIFFIN COMMUNICATIONS, LLC'S MOTION FOR PARTIAL JUDGMENT ON THE PLEADINGS

Plaintiffs in the above captioned action, through their undersigned counsel, and pursuant to Local Rule 26.2 of the Local Rules of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, hereby move this Court for leave to file their Opposition to Defendants Sinclair Broadcast Group Inc.'s and Griffin Communications, LLC's Motion for Partial Judgment on the Pleadings ("Opposition") under seal. In support, Plaintiffs state as follows:

- 1. On March 16, 2022, Plaintiffs filed their Consolidated Third Amended Antitrust Class Action Complaint ("TAC"). ECF Nos. 555, 556.
- 2. In the TAC, Plaintiffs quote and reference certain documents produced by Defendants in this action that are designated as either "CONFIDENTIAL" or "CONFIDENTIAL ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY" pursuant to the Confidentiality Order entered by this Court (ECF No. 194, ¶ 3). The Court ordered certain paragraphs in the TAC sealed. *See* ECF Nos. 559, 587.
- 3. Plaintiffs' Opposition quotes and references certain paragraphs in the TAC that the Court ordered sealed.
- 4. A court may keep documents or portions thereof under seal "if there is good cause for sealing a part or the whole of the record." *Citizens First Nat. Bank of Princeton v. Cincinnati*

Ins. Co., 178 F.3d 943, 945 (7th Cir. 1999). Here, the TAC contains confidential and highly sensitive information, including information that has been designated under the Confidentiality Order. The Court already has determined that there is good cause to maintain the redacted portions of the TAC under seal in this matter. See ECF Nos. 559, 587. The Opposition quotes and references certain redacted portions of the TAC. Accordingly, Plaintiffs respectfully request leave to file the Opposition under seal.

5. In compliance with Local Rule 26.2(c), Plaintiffs will file a public-record version of the Opposition that redacts quotes or references to Confidential material.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs request this Court grant them leave to file Plaintiffs'

Opposition to Defendants Sinclair Broadcast Group Inc.'s and Griffin Communications, LLC's

Motion for Partial Judgment on the Pleadings under seal.

Dated: July 26, 2022 Respectfully submitted,

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